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IN CHERYL Nº 1, SHE AND HER BROTHER INHERITED AN OLD INN! NOW WE'LL JOIN THEM FOR ANOTHER WACKY ADVENTURE ---

"HOME UN-IMPROVEMENT"

PART 1

EEEK!!

WHAT'S WRONG, CHERYL?

CLUB BLOSS

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NOTHING! EVERYTHING'S *RIGHT!*

THE BAND "HURLING NUGGETS" HAS AGREED TO PERFORM HERE AT "CLUB BLOSSOM"!

IS THAT GOOD?

MS. McGRUFF, THEY'RE ONE OF THE *HOTTEST* ACTS AROUND!

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THERE'S JUST ONE *PROBLEM!*

THEIR ACT IS VERY *ELABORATE*, USUALLY SET IN *LARGE* ARENAS!

STAGE REQUIREMENT

BRUCE S

I SORT OF *PROMISED* THEM WE COULD MAKE WAY FOR THIS SET!

A HUGE SPACESHIP?

IT'S PART OF THEIR ACT!

LOOK AT ALL THESE *LASERS* AND PROPS! WE'LL NEED A MAJOR *RENOVATION!*

I'LL *CALL* THE CONTRACTORS!

HALT!

THIS *ISN'T* IN OUR BUDGET!

AND WE CAN'T RUN TO YOUR FATHER! WE CAN ONLY USE *APPROPRIATE* FUNDS!

EITHER THEY'LL HAVE TO PERFORM *AS IS*, OR GO ELSEWHERE!

FUME!

GEE, CHERYL! IT LOOKS LIKE YOUR PLANS HAVE GONE SOUR!

PUT A SOCK IN IT, DOPE!

I'VE GOT TO FIGURE OUT A WAY...

"WELCOME TO 'THIS OLD SHACK' HOSTED BY BOB GILA! TODAY WE'RE RENOVATING A..."

THIS OLD SHACK

IDEA!

SNAP!

I'VE GOT IT! WE CAN GET THIS SHOW TO DO OUR WORK FOR US!

THEY'RE ALWAYS RESTORING OLD HOUSES AND INNS!

HA! WHO SAYS HE'LL WANT TO DO THIS PLACE?

LEAVE IT TO ME! BESIDES THIS OLD PLACE NEEDS *OTHER* WORK DONE, TOO!

WHY? I DON'T SEE ANYTHING WRONG WITH...

RIP!

WELL, MAYBE YOU'VE GOT A POINT!

GIVE IT YOUR BEST SHOT!

THE NEXT DAY...

SO, DID YOU HAVE ANY *LUCK*?

YOU BE THE JUDGE!

WOW! IT'S THEM! HOW'D YOU GET THEM SO *FAST*?

IT WAS EASY! THEY *KNEW* ABOUT ME!

WE SAW ALL CHERYL'S *PUBLICITY STUNTS** ON "FAST COPY", "A CURRENT SCANDAL" AND "LAST EDITION"!

SHE'S A *PUBLICIST'S* DREAM!

*SEE CHERYL #1 & 2 (PLUS OTHER BACK ISSUES, TOO!)

OUR SHOW HAS *DIPPED* A BIT IN THE RATINGS!

CHERYL'S MAGIC TOUCH COULD BOOST US BACK UP!

AND THEY AGREED TO DO ALL THE WORK FOR FREE!

AS LONG AS I'M THEIR "TOOL GIRL"!

SOUNDS FINE! CAN I HELP YOU IN ANY WAY?

YES! STAY OUT OF YOUR SISTER'S WAY! SHE'S A *GENIUS*!

HMPH! IF SHE'S A *GENIUS*, I'M DAVY CROCKETT!

LET'S GET TO WORK...

SO...

I MUST SAY CHERYL CAME UP WITH A VERY *RESOURCEFUL* IDEA!

HELLO, AND WELCOME TO "THIS OLD SHACK"! WE'RE RENOVATING "CLUB BLOSSOM"!

AND LET'S INTRODUCE OUR "TOOL GIRL" MISS CHERYL BLOSSOM!

HI, EVERYBODY!

BOING!

BOING!

EGADS!

THE FIRST THING WE'RE GOING TO DO IS TEAR DOWN THIS OLD RAILING!

CHERYL... COULD YOU HAND ME THAT CROWBAR?

SURE THING, BOB!

BONK!!

OUCH! WATCH IT! I THINK YOU BROKE MY TOE!!

SORRY!

HANK, MY ASSISTANT, WILL SAND THESE BOARDS!

WANNA HELP ME, CHERYL?

SURE, I'LL GET THE SANDPAPER!

HANK! STOP GAWKING AND LOOK OUT FOR THE...

... SAWHORSE!

SMASH

YOU DON'T LOOK SO GOOD!! CAN ANYONE SUB FOR HIM?

I WILL!

I'VE GOT A BETTER IDEA!

!?

OH, ARCHIE!

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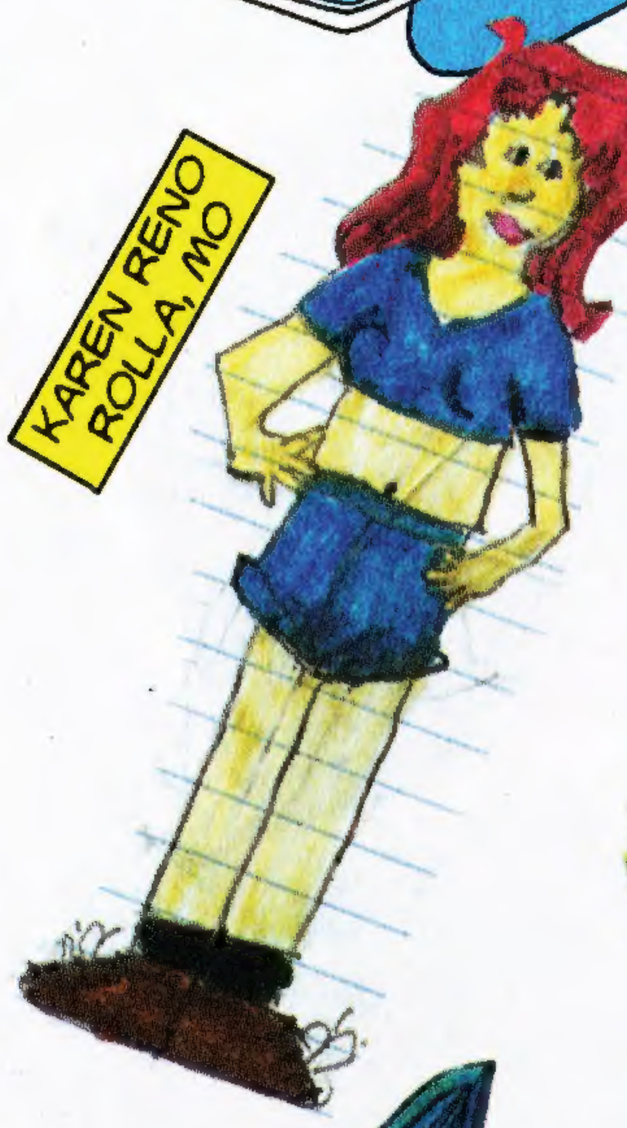

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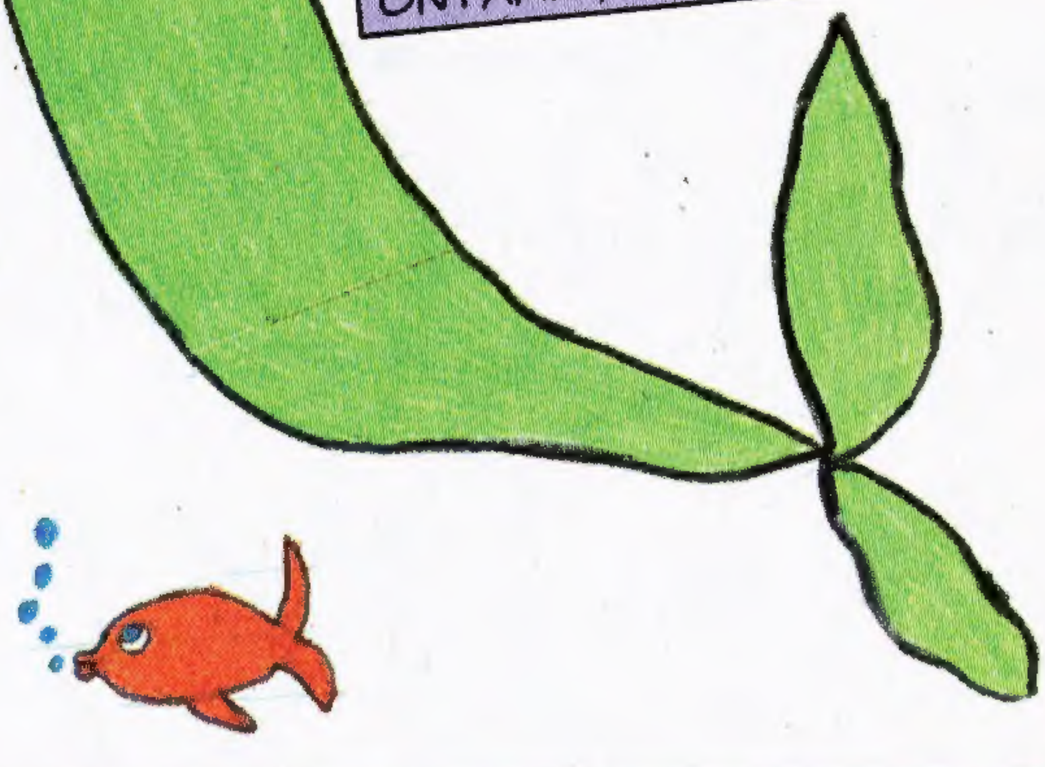

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YES, MR. BLOSSOM?

YOU'RE GOING TO BE BOB'S AND CHERYL'S ASSISTANT ON THIS SHOW!

IS THIS *WISE*?

ANY EXCUSE TO GET THAT FINE BOY NEAR CHERYL! HE'S A WONDERFUL INFLUENCE!!

COOL! I WAS GETTING *DISHPAN* HANDS, ANYWAY! *

OKAY, LET'S MOVE THIS LUMBER OVER HERE!

*ARCHIE WORKS AS A DISHWASHER AT THE INN.

YESIREE!

DO YOU WANT IT OVER *HERE* OR OVER...

THERE?

BOP!

WATCH IT, YOU *KLUTZ!!*

SORRY, SWEETS!

:GIGGLE!: WHAT A *CLOD!* THIS IS *GOOD!*

OKAY! WE'RE GOING TO INSTALL INSULATION ON THIS NEW WALL!

FIRST, WE *UNROLL* THE INSULATION! THAT'S YOUR *CUE*, ARCHIE!

OKAY! HERE GOES...

ROLL!

WAP!

HEY!

DID YOU SLAP ME?

NO! IT WAS THE INSULATION!

OH! YOU MEAN LIKE THIS?

WHACK!

OKAY! OKAY! I'M SORRY!

ALL RIGHT! ARCHIE, TAKE THIS STAPLE GUN! WE'RE GOING TO STAPLE THE INSULATION TO THE BEAMS!

OKAY! HEY, THIS THING IS COOL!

RAT-A-TAT-TAT TAT-TAT

YIKES!!

RAT-A-TAT-TAT TAT-TAT

CHERYL!! ARE YOU OKAY?

?

YOU STAPLED ME TO THE WALL, GOOBER!

GET ME DOWN!!

MR. BLOSSOM, I NEED SOMEONE WHO'S MORE SKILLED THAN HIM!

I CAN HELP!

JASON! *ONE* BLOSSOM ON TV IS *ENOUGH*!!

I'M NOT TALKING ABOUT ME! I'M TALKING *ABOUT*...

SOON...

...BETTY! SHE'S A WIZ AT CARPENTRY!

HMPH! I'D *RATHER* HAVE ARCHIE BACK!

OKAY! LET'S INSTALL A WINDOW! START ROLLING THE FILM!

I'LL MEASURE THE PARIMETERS, THEN I'LL GET THE CAULKING GUN READY AND...

SOON... VOILA! OUR WINDOW IS INSTALLED!

THAT BETTY IS FANTASTIC! SHE REALLY KNOWS HER STUFF!

OKAY! LET'S TAKE A BREAK!

BETTY! I HAVE TO ADMIT, YOU KNOW A *LOT* MORE THAN I DO ABOUT CARPENTRY!

THANKS, ARCHIE!

OH, ARCHIE! WOULD YOU LIKE TO HAVE A *SODA* WITH ME ...

OH, SURE!

BUT *WHAT* ABOUT ME?

BETTY, I *NEED* YOU!

YOU CAN BUILD THE NEXT SET FOR US TO WORK ON... YOU'RE QUITE A *WIZ*!

I DON'T KNOW! I DON'T *FEEL* SO SMART RIGHT NOW!

LET'S LEAVE HER ALONE! SHE HAS A *LOT* OF WORK TO DO!

THE NEXT DAY...

MAN! ALL THAT POUNDING IS VERY *GRATING*!

BUT IT'LL LOOK *GREAT* IN THE END!

BANG! BANG! BAM!

BAM! BANG!

BUT IT'S KEEPING THE GUESTS AWAKE...

COULD YOU KEEP IT DOWN!!

YEAH! WE CAN'T GET ANY SLEEP, EITHER!

SHEESH!!

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EVEN THOUGH I AM A TRENDSETTER, ONCE IN A WHILE I'M INFLUENCED BY OTHERS, AS YOU CAN SEE IN THESE...

CELEBRITY Looks

"GWYNETH PALTROW'S GOT NOTHING ON ME!"

"DREW BARRYMORE, EAT YOUR HEART OUT!"

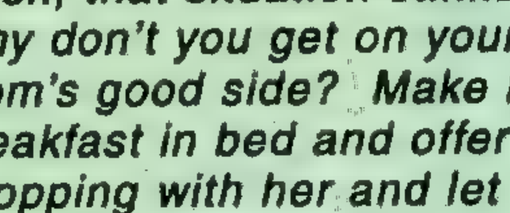
"ALANIS WHO?"

THE SEASON OF LOVE IS NOW, SO WE NEED TO GET DOWN TO BUSINESS REAL QUICK!
Dear Cheryl
I DON'T LIKE WHERE THIS IS GOING. TELL YOUR PARENTS!
THIS IS LEADING TO NO GOOD!

BY SARA ALGASE

Dear Cheryl,
I have a boyfriend named Ryan. He likes me very much but nobody likes him except for me. Everybody thinks he's a goof-off and they're always asking me why I like him. I have no response. What should I do?
-- Ms. Goof-off, Chesterfield, VA

Dear Ms. Goof-off,
You shouldn't have to explain your boyfriends to anyone. You like who you like and that should be a good enough reason for your friends. Next time they ask you why you like Ryan, ask them why they're wearing last year's fashions! That will keep them quiet for a while!
-- Cheryl

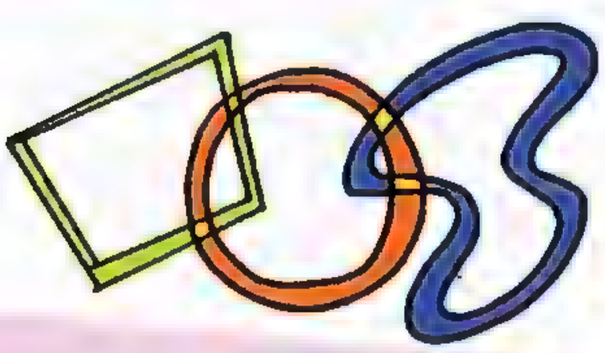


Dear Cheryl,
There's a really cute boy in my class and we're becoming boyfriend and girlfriend. The thing is, I'm not allowed to talk to boys and date until I'm sixteen. I'm only eleven! My mom says if she catches me, she'll change the rule to eighteen! I really like this boy. **-- Ciara, British Columbia, Canada**

Dear Ciara,
Gosh, that situation stinks. Why don't you get on your mom's good side? Make her breakfast in bed and offer to go shopping with her and let her pick out clothes for you. (Moms love that!) Maybe if you convince her you're completely trustworthy, she'll lower the age a little. ***-- Cheryl***

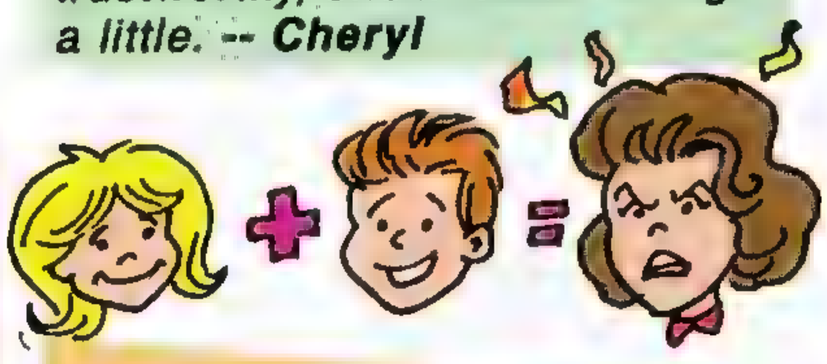
Dear Cheryl,
Everyone tells me I'm one of the most popular girls in school. But I like this boy and I think he likes someone else. I'm always trying to act cool around him. What should I do?
-- Helpless, Santa Ana, CA

Dear Helpless,
You'll just have to accept that even a guy-magnet can't attract every guy. Some guys such as Tom Cruise (sob!) are very much attached. And there may be some poor, ignorant males who overlook your irresistible charm. Don't spend your time with the hopeless cases. Move on to the men who have the good sense to recognize the catch that you are. ***-- Cheryl***



Dear Cheryl,
All my friends say that I'm beautiful. A lot of boys have even asked me out. I'm bored with my image. I want a make-over but my mom can't afford it. I have dark brown hair, fair skin, and chocolate brown eyes that match my hair. I'm of average height and I have the most perfect lips and beautiful smile. I want to look like you so the boys will be wild over me too.
-- Amavy, Seattle, WA

Dear Amavy,
All I can say is, I'm glad you don't go to my school! Anyway, you've got the right idea. A little conceit goes a long way to making the boys think you're hot stuff. When I don't have time for a make-over, a nice pair of jeans, some mascara, and a shy, flirty giggle works just as well. ***-- Cheryl***



Dear Cheryl,
I have a friend named Jonathan. I love him but I don't know how to tell him. I'm scared. Please help me.
-- Aubrey, Auburen, CA

Dear Aubrey,
Don't tell Jonathan you like him. It might boost his ego. You want him to think you're an irresistible goddess and he'd be darn lucky to have you as a girlfriend. Make sure you look your best when you're around him. Dump the t-shirts and jeans for short skirts and cute tops. Dress like a potential girlfriend and he'll see you as one .-- ***Cheryl***

Dear Cheryl,
I'm one of the more popular girls in my class. Too many boys like me. One boy even dumped his girlfriend for me. All of the other girls hate me because they're so jealous. What should I do so I can have girlfriends and boyfriends? **--Best of Both Worlds, Regina, Canada**

Dear Best of Both Worlds,
That's the drawback of attracting men like flies. Other girls get a little touchy when all the guys can't stop talking about you. Try to be nice to these girls. They must feel bad. Wouldn't you if you were them? And offer to give them some of your cast-offs. ***-- Cheryl***

Dear Cheryl,
There's this boy I like a lot. I think about him every day. But he has a girlfriend already. What should I do? -- **Kim, Chicago, IL**

Dear Kim,
Why let a little thing like a girlfriend stop you from hooking the teenager of your dreams? Make him wish he had you for a girlfriend instead. Wear cute outfits and blow him kisses (when his girlfriend's not around, of course.) -- ***Cheryl***

Dear Cheryl,
My friend and I have this crush on these really cute boys. We're always smiling at them but they don't care. We both get jealous when they talk to other girls. We don't want to give these boys up and we don't know what to do. -- **Jealous & Confused, Las Vegas, NV**

Dear Jealous & Confused,
Jealousy can make a girl look unattractive. My advice is to avoid it as much as possible. You girls don't need to waste time with guys who aren't paying attention to you. It's not your fault they have bad taste! Move on to some guys who give you the adoration you two deserve. -- ***Cheryl***

Dear Cheryl,
I'm going out with this boy named Brandon. He's really cute and every girl in my class wants to go out with him. He flirts with the girls who want to go out with him but he's still dating me. I don't like his flirting.-- **Very Desperate, Ontario, Canada**

Dear Very Desperate,
This guy seems a little too comfortable in his relationship with you. I suggest you shake him up a little. Have some flowers sent to school with a card that says, "Love, Your Secret Admirer." Brandon will be so busy steaming with jealousy, he won't have time to look at other girls! -- ***Cheryl***

Dear Cheryl,
I'm eleven years old and I have a boyfriend who I like very much. Every day at school I look at him and he's always perfect in every way. But how do I tell him this without getting nervous? --**Daydreaming & Wondering, Bloomfield, NM**

Dear Daydreaming & Wondering,
Why do you want to tell your boyfriend you think he's perfect? Do you want him to get a bigger ego than he probably already has? It's his job as your boyfriend to worship you, and don't you forget it.
-- ***Cheryl***

Dear Cheryl,
I'm ten years old. I wear glasses. I think I'm ugly, but I am. Most of the girls think so too. What can I do to make boys notice me? -- **Lonely in New Albany, MS**

Dear Lonely In New Albany,
You don't have to look and feel ugly if you don't want to. Get contact lenses or get ultra-cool frames for your glasses. The right beauty salon can work wonders! Maybe they can recommend a trendy hairstyle and the right makeup to accent your features. Why look like a dishrag when you can look like a dish? -- ***Cheryl***

Dear Cheryl,
There's a boy named Chad, who I like a lot. The problem is he's moving and I don't think I can handle it. When he moves, I'll be totally depressed. What should I do? And how do I get other boys to like me? -- **Erica, Beattyville, KY**

Dear Erica,
You may be losing one hunk but there are plenty of other cuties around. Check out the school football team if you're into athletes, or the debate team if you're into smart men. Then of course, there are the artist-types who play the guitar or write brooding poems.
-- ***Cheryl***

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WHAT'S GOING ON IN THERE?

YEAH! WE NEED OUR BEAUTY SLEEP!

THAT'S FOR SURE!

WHAT'S GOING ON?

WE'RE WORKING ON SOME *RENOVATIONS*! GOOD-BYE!

SLAM!

HMM! THEY SEEMED PRETTY *SECRETIVE*!

LIKE THEY GOT SOMETHING TO HIDE!

LET'S KEEP OUR *EYE* ON THESE VARMINTS!

GOOD THING WE LIVE IN A TREE - HOUSE!

CLUB BLOSS

WITH OUR TRUSTY *TELESCOPE* WE CAN KEEP OUR EYE ON THEM!

GEE! WHO'S THAT IN ROOM 28...?

GEE, THIS *STINKS!*

I THOUGHT BRINGING BETTY HERE WOULD GIVE ME SOME TIME WITH HER...

BUT SHE'S SO *GOOD*, THEY'RE USING HER *FULL TIME!*

THIS LEAVES CHERYL AND ARCHIE TO *REKINDLE* THEIR ROMANCE!

SOON...

OKAY! WE'RE READY TO FILM THE *NEXT* SEQUENCE!

I'M NEEDED ON THE SET, *SUGARLIPS!*

LOOK WHO'S BACK! IT'S HANK! HE'S BETTER NOW!

I'M BACK! AND SAFE, AS LONG AS SHE KEEPS HER *DISTANCE!*

CAN I GO NOW?

I DON'T SEE WHY NOT! OUR RENOVATIONS ARE *ALMOST* FINISHED, ANYWAY!

B-BUT...

HI, ARCHIE!

SOON!!

AND THAT'S THE COMPLETION OF OUR BEAUTIFUL EXPANSION!

GOOD! NOW WHERE ARE THOSE TWO?

THEY'RE UP THERE! IN THE *SPACESHIP!*

GET DOWN, ARCHIE! YOU *WORK* FOR *US*, YOU KNOW!

WHAT DO YOU SEE?

YOU'RE *NOT* GONNA *BELIEVE* THIS!

THERE'S A *SPACESHIP* IN THERE!

ALIENS HAVE *LANDED!*

UNLESS THE BLOSSOMS ARE THE ALIENS!

IT MAKES SENSE! THEY TOOK OVER *THAT* INN ALL OF A SUDDEN!!

AND THEY'RE ALWAYS SO SECRETIVE!

PLUS THAT *RED HAIR* ON CHERYL! NO *EARTHLING* HAS HAIR THAT RED!

SHOULD WE CALL THE *F.B.I.*?

NOT YET! WE'VE GOT TO *INVESTIGATE* A BIT MORE!

I GUESS I'VE GOT TO WORK NOW, BETS!

THAT'S RIGHT, ARCHIE!

C'MON, BETTY! LET'S GO TO POP TATE'S FOR A SODA!

OKAY!

I NEED SOME BETTY TIME!

CHERYL! OUR GUESTS HAVE *ARRIVED!*

HELLO! ARE YOU *HURLING NUGGETS?*

YES! ARE YOU SHARON FLOWERS?

ER... THAT'S CHERYL BLOSSOM!

WHATEVER!!

WE'RE JUST FINISHING UP THE SET FOR THE SHOW!

GOOD! TAKE US TO OUR ROOM! HERE'S WHAT *ITEMS* WE'RE REQUIRING!

MUST HAVE

HOW DO YOU LIKE THE SPACESHIP? PRETTY COOL, HUH?

CHERYL, DON'T GRAB THAT ROPE! IT'S NOT READY YET...

LOOK OUT BELOW!!

PLUNK

UH-OH!

GOOD THING THE WORK'S *ALMOST* FINISHED!

DO YOU HAVE *INSURANCE*?

CONTINUED –

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PART 4

THE BIG NIGHT ARRIVES...

OKAY, SO I'LL ANNOUNCE YOU GUYS AS SOON AS THE SPACESHIP LANDS AND THE DOOR OPENS!

THEN WE COME OUT OF THE SPACESHIP!

GOT IT?

EEK! WE FORGOT TO *ATTACH* THE FRONT DOOR TO THE SPACE-SHIP SINCE I INJURED MR. GILA!

ONE OF YOU GUYS HAS TO HELP ME *NAIL* THESE HINGES ON...

SORRY, IT'S *NOT* IN OUR *CONTRACT!*

OH, BROTHER! ARCHIE! *HURRY!* WE'VE ONLY GOT TWO MINUTES!

HELP ME NAIL THESE HINGES ON!

SURE, CHERYL! ANYTHING TO HELP!

EVEN I CAN USE A HAMMER AND NAILS!

POUND! POUND!

THANKS, ARCHIE! YOU ACTUALLY CAME THROUGH!!

ARCHIE! OPEN THE DOOR AND LET ME OUT!!

THIS DOOR IS REALLY *STUCK!*

?

UH-OH! I THINK I NAILED THE DOOR TO THE SPACE-SHIP!

YOU IDIOT!! I SHOULD'VE KNOWN!!

YIKES! THE SHIP IS *MOVING!*

THE SHIP IS PRE-PROGRAMMED TO START MOVING!

POUND! POUND!

LET ME OUT!! LET ME OUT!!

CALM DOWN!

SHEESH! WHAT'S THAT *SMELL*? DO ANY OF YOU BATHE?!

WE BELIEVE IN CONSERVING WATER!

A FEW BREATH MINTS WOULDN'T *HURT* EITHER!

SET OFF THE SMOKE AND FIREWORKS!

I GUESS I'LL BE DOING THE *ANNOUNCING*!

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN...

HOLD IT!

WE'RE HERE TO GET THESE *ALIENS*!

RIP! POUND! SHRED!

THANK GOODNESS, WE'RE BEING *RESCUED*!

OH, DEAR! IT'S YOU! I THINK I'LL *STAY*!!

WE'RE HERE TO SAVE YOU FROM THOSE *UGLY ALIENS*!!

YOU'RE NO SUPER-MODELS YOURSELVES!

COME PEACEFULLY AND WE WON'T HARM YOU!

TAKE CHERYL! WE NEED TO DE-PROGRAM HER!

EEK!!

GOOD IDEA!

COOL! THE ALIENS HAVE BAGGED SOMEONE!

LOOK OUT FOR MY TOOLS!

HAHAHAHA

SLIP! FLOP!

ER-UH-THAT ENDS THE ACTION ADVENTURE PART OF THE SHOW!

NOW! ON WITH THE SHOW!

ROCK ME SHOCK ME KNOCK ME SILLY...

OUCH! IF THESE PEOPLE PUT UP WITH THIS, LET 'EM! LET'S GO!

LATER:

WITH ALL THE *DAMAGE* FROM THE SHOW, WE NEED MORE WORK DONE!

"THIS OLD SHACK" AGREED TO FILM MORE SHOWS HERE!

I GUESS THEY LIKE WHAT YOU DID FOR THE RATINGS!

YES! BUT I'M TAKING A BREATHER!

BETTY'S HANGING AROUND, AND I WANT ARCHIE *AWAY* FROM HER!

BUT IF YOU AND BETTY *AREN'T* ON THE SHOW...

WHO'S THE "TOOL GIRL" GOING TO BE?

HELLO...

AMERICA, GET READY FOR JASON BLOSSOM... YOUR NEW "TOOL GUY"!

I DON'T THINK THE WORLD'S *READY* FOR ANOTHER BLOSSOM!

END